

ORRICK CHRISTIAN CHURCH

NEWSLETTER FOR FEBRUARY 24 TO MARCH 2, 2025



MORNING TIME ON THE PORCH

2/24 - Psalm 119:105-112 "I'll Take You At Your Word." Read Romans 8:1, John 6:66-68, and Philipians 1:6

2/25 - Romans 8:37-39 "Reflecting Jesus, Who Is Love." Read I Corinthians 13:4-8 and John 15:13.

2/26 - Psalm 1:1-6 "Planted By the Stream." Read Matthew 7:26-27 and John 7:37-38.

2/27 - None.

2/28 - Mark 5:25-34 "Reach Out and Touch Jesus." Read Ecclesiastes 1:9, Romans 8:28 and Mark 5:22-25.

SERMON SUMMARY

Revelation 13:1-10 – The Beast From The Sea

Pastor Art moved forward into the thirteenth Chapter of Revelation with a sermon entitled "The Beast From The Sea," Revelations 13:1-10. He announced that our focus would be on studying the Antichrist. Then he reminded everyone that the Holy Spirit is strong. That it is not always about scripture. It is about a relationship with Jesus. We have got to listen. God will speak to you if you will open up and allow Him to. But you have to react.

There is a time coming in the future and it is called the "End Times." Eschatology is the study of the end times. Get ready for some statistics. 90% of the Book of Revelation are quotes from the Old Testament. There are 404 scriptures in the Book of Revelation, which means 364 are quotes from the Old Testament. The Antichrist has been written about throughout the Bible. There's over 100 references in the Bible to the Antichrist. There are over 50 names for the Antichrist, including Son of Perdition or the Man of Sin. By far Antichrist is the most easily recognized and it means that he is everything that is not Christ. It is more than chapter 13 in Revelation. It is not only that He is against Christ. Satan wants you to choose the Antichrist over Jesus Christ. Read I John 2:22. The Antichrist will appear beautiful and charismatic. People will believe that he is the messiah. Why is it important to know about the Antichrist? The world views the Antichrist as a fable. We need to warn the world. Satan is trying to cover it up so that the AntiChrist will sneak up on folks.

In today's scripture passage from Revelation 13:1-10, we will focus on the first two verses. In chapter 12 of Revelation, we know that satan was booted out of heaven and is accelerating his destructive course on earth. The book of Revelation has a lot of symbolism. It uses symbolism as fact. The description of the Antichrist would be recognizable to you if you were grounded in the Old Testament. The scripture states that the dragon saw the

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

1. If you are interested in serving on any of the church teams listed in our bulletin, please contact us at this email address and we will be glad to put you in touch with the team leader or contact them directly.
2. In our Catpack program (weekend hunger relief for students), we are preparing 70 backpacks. One in five students in Orrick Schools is food insecure (hungry). So we encourage you to donate child-friendly food (individual servings of cereal, pasta, meat, snack crackers, fruit bowls, trail mix, poptarts, etc).
3. This Thursday all Church Prayer Meeting will be at the church at 9:00 am. Everyone is welcome to attend.
4. Social Team meets at 5:00 pm before the church board meeting this Thursday in the fellowship hall.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Read Psalm 1:1-3

beast rising from the sea (one who rises out of the sea of humanity). It is a picture of the revised Roman World. Read Daniel 7:7-8 about the dream of the dreadful and terrifying beast. Read Revelation 13:3 and Revelation 17:3, 7, 15. Those ten horns with crowns refer to world leaders. The context refers to the last 3 1/2 years of the tribulation. Read Daniel 7:24, Daniel 7:2-6 and Revelation 13:2. The Antichrist has all the attributes of the previous beasts described in Daniel.

God gave you authority first. In Genesis 3, God gave authority and dominion over all creatures to Adam. Through sin, man relinquished that authority and God gave it to satan. Read II Thessalonians 2:9. The coming of the Lawless One (Antichrist) will be filled with satan's influence. Our challenge is to be strong and faithful in Jesus Christ. Read Romans 11:25. Speaking the truth is called being mean and hateful by the world. The truth is the truth! Read II Corinthians 4:4, John 12:31, Luke 4:6 and I John 4:2. What should our response be? Read Exodus 20:3. Look at your calendar and your checkbook. Where do you spend your time? Where do you spend your money? Read I Thessalonians 5:17. The Antichrist is to be recognized. But more importantly, Jesus Christ needs to be predominant in our lives. As Christ followers we are to share the news; be a beacon and stand on the truth! Praising God for a pastor teaches us the importance of every word of scripture and the importance of always putting God first!

5. Our monthly church board meeting is this Thursday at 6:00 pm. If you have an item that you would like to discuss, please contact Tim O'Dell to get it placed on the meeting agenda.
6. The next men's fellowship event will be Saturday at the church at 6:00 am. All men are welcome and encouraged to attend.
7. Next WOW gathering will be at the church on Monday, March 10. Meal will be served at 6:30 pm. Childcare provided. Invite others to join us as we have another wonderful fellowship and faith growing opportunity.



MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Three men from OCC participated in "Christ, Coffee & Campfire" at Higginsville. Next fellowship event will be Saturday, March 8 at 6:00 am at the church. This is open to any male over the age of 18.



PRAYER FROM NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER TASK FORCE ON EXPECTATION

"Lord, we lift up our prayers to You now, with overflowing love and hope; filled with faith in You the Creator of all that exists and knowing the earth is Yours and all it contains. Your praise and promises are our steadfast foundation and the fountain that flows from our hearts. We lift up praise to You, all that You are, every unchanging attribute and every promise in Your Word that is "yes and amen" in Christ Jesus. In these we pour out cries for help filled with hope. We thank You now believing that what is yet to be seen You have sown and will make known in Your perfect time and glory. You are our hope now and forevermore. In the powerful and promise-keeping name of Jesus we pray, Amen!"

Submit Your Recipes



COOKBOOK OPPORTUNITY THROUGH SOCIAL TEAM

Deadline Extension announced! As the Social Team has been compiling the new church cookbook, they are still in need of recipes, especially for SALADS and ENTREES (main dishes). If you have a recipe that you would like to share, contact Cappi Lawrence chdarnell2@yahoo.com, Terry Ealey TNTEaley@gmail.com, Cheryl Schreier ctaylor91760@gmail.com or Lisa Cline lisa.cline1960@icloud.com. Don't miss out on an opportunity to be included! Profits from this cookbook will be going toward some of the furnishings for the new church building. Deadline to participate is now March 30, 2025.

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Ladies, our next WOW (Women of Worth) gathering is scheduled for Monday, March 10th at 6:30 pm here at the church. The focus for this meeting will be fellowship and encouraging women to draw closer to one another as they deepen their faith in God. A number of women will give small short talks. Just a reminder that a meal and dessert is part of the fellowship time. Childcare is available. Reach out and invite a friend or two!



SWEETHEART DINNER & DESSERT AUCTION FUNDRAISER FOR YOUTH

Yes, the Sweetheart Dinner & Dessert Auction has been rescheduled for Sunday, March 16 at 5:00 pm at the Home Place at Valley View. We think this date may be safe from inclement weather. Remember this is a fundraiser for church camp for our youth. Invite others and bring lots of delicious desserts. Social Team is serving spaghetti that evening for our meal, which you are encouraged to make a freewill offering. Youth will be assisting. This event has been a lot of fun in the past so you won't want to miss it!




MOVIE NIGHT

Twenty-four people enjoyed the Social team's Movie Night on Friday, February 28. There was lots of fun and plenty of food as everyone enjoyed watching "The Secrets of Jonathan Sperry." Next movie night will be announced soon and it will be the "Time Traveler." Stay tuned for more information.



GRIDIRON MEN'S CONFERENCE

It is time to register for the 2025 Gridiron Men's Conference in Huntsville, AL. There has never been a more important time for Christian men to stand strong and live out their faith with courage. Join thousands of men at this conference, where you will find powerful teaching and uplifting worship that will help you grow as a leader in all areas of your life (family, church, workplace). Gridiron men stand clear, bold and strong! Expect to take the shuttle bus from church on Thursday, June 12th. On June 13th visit the Space and Rocket Center then onto the conference Friday evening. Conference continues Saturday, June 14 until 12:30; then drive home for Father's Day. Ten rooms with double beds have been booked for both nights. Cost of these rooms will be covered by sponsors from Rayville Christian Union Church (we can get more rooms if needed). Each participant (or sponsor) will be responsible for the cost of Conference ticket (\$109) and Rocket Center ticket (\$40) along with food and other incidentals. Ticket reservations must be made

	by March 10th as price goes up on March 12th. Speakers include: Phil Waldrep, George Foreman, Herb Reavis, Jeff Foxworthy, Benny Tate and Brad Whitt. Questions, see Tim O'Dell.
	<p style="text-align: center;">ANSWERED PRAYER</p> <p>Janet Aldrich reports that Darrell's wife, Pam said that Darrell is feeling better, got a good report from the doctor and has started regaining lost weight. They are so grateful for the prayers and believe that he can be removed from the prayer list at this point. We were thrilled to see Cowboy Kelly and Pam Johnson back in first service at church. This was a huge answer to prayer even though Pam still has a way to go for full recovery. Please continue to lift the individuals on our prayer list and send updates. Your prayers do make a difference!</p>

COMING IN MARCH

- March 10 – WOW
- March 10 – Registration Deadline for Gridiron Conference
- Mar 21-23 – Men's Encounter
- March 30 – Cookbook Recipe Deadline
- March 30 – Fellowship Brunch

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Tune in for "Morning Time on the Porch with Pastor Art" each weekday on facebook.
- Tuesday, Mar 4 - 2:00 pm - Meeting at Valor Ranch, 20998 Grant Lane, Raymore, MO.
- Tuesday, Mar 4 - 6:00 pm - Outreach to Cedars in Liberty. Contact Phil Boude if interested in helping to teach a Bible study at this center.
- Wednesday, Mar 5 - 6:00 pm - Men's Bible Study with Tim O'Dell.
- Wednesday, Mar 5 - 6:00 pm - Women's Bible Study with Deanne Townsend.
- Thursday, Mar 6 - 9:00 am - All church prayer meeting at the church. This is open to anyone. Guided prayer sheet provided.
- Thursday, Mar 6 - 5:00 pm - Social team meeting in fellowship hall.
- Thursday, Mar 6 - 6:00 pm - Church board meeting in the fellowship hall.
- Thursday, Mar 6 - 7:00 pm - Celebrate Recovery Lexington Group, First Baptist Church, 525 S Business 13, Lexington, MO. Contact Tamara Lane (660) 570-3761 for more information.
- Thursday, Mar 6 - 7:00 pm - **Pray for America**, First Thursday prayer call. "Pouring Out for the Family." Call (667) 770-1523, Pin 4961322#
- Saturday, Mar 8 - 6:00 am - "Fellowship on the Farm" will be at the church All men are welcome and encouraged to attend.
- Sunday, Mar 9 - 2:00 am - **Daylights Savings Time Begins** - Spring forward one hour
- Sunday, Mar 9 - 8:15 am - Traditional worship service. Nursery available (birth to 5).
- Sunday, Mar 9 - 9:45 am - Sunday School classes for all ages.
- Sunday, Mar 9 - 10:45 am - Contemporary worship service. Nursery available (birth to 5).
- Sunday, Mar 9 - 5:00 - 7:00 pm - Doctrine Bible Study Group at the church with Phil Boude (childcare provided)
- Sunday, Mar 9 - 5:00 - 7:00 pm - Youth groups meet

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